



THE "BEST" INFORMER



Monday, October 16, 2017

Today is **Day 1**

****Please note: All new items or any item with changes will be in **Red******

GENERAL

PLEASE COME TO THE OFFICE

Would the following students please come to the office.
Kate (Churong) Shang, Anika Kim, Kelly Wong and Jordan Kabani

LANGUAGE CHALLENGE EXAMS

This is a reminder to students who are interested in writing a Language Challenge Exam your application is due on **Monday, October 23rd** by 3:30. Please submit your application directly to Mr. Areshenko in the counselling office

SPIRITWEAR SALE

Order on-line on our website until **Nov 2nd**! Do not miss out! Sample sizes available to try on in the office. There are no refunds for wrong sizes.

FORKLIFT CERTIFICATION-STUDENTS 16 AND OLDER

Students who are interested in getting their "Forklift" certification can do so on **October 20 and 21** (pro-d day + Saturday). The all-day (9.00am - 3.00pm) course is only \$199. Training site is 857 Cordova Diversion in Vancouver. Class size is limited to 6 students and done on a "**first come, first served**" basis. Interested students can see [Mr. Jones](#) in the office for an application form. For more information, you can contact Mr. Doug MacLean by phone (**604-341-8977**) or email (dmaclean@sd43.bc.ca)

Parent – Teacher Interview Volunteers

If you are interested in helping out at parent-teacher interviews this Wednesday October 18, please see Ms. Wiskar in room 215.

SPORTS

FIELD HOCKEY

Playoffs begin **Tuesday October 17th** here on our home field against Centennial. Please come out to support the team.

SKI/SNOWBOARD CLUB-less than 10 spots left

There are less than 10 spots left in total, don't miss out, First come, first served. Fees are payable online only on our school website under student fees. Registration is happening now until **October 31**.

IMPORTANT REMINDERS

****SCENT FREE SCHOOL****

All schools and buildings within SD43 are "scent free" places of work and learning. Numerous students and staff have serious medical complications with various natural and chemical scents/ fragrances. As such, please make every effort to avoid using or wearing scented products within this space in order to establish an environment that is as "scent safe" as possible.

STUDENT DROP OFFS

Please be aware that when dropping students off in the morning, vehicles are **not permitted** to stop at the west entrance roundabout. Stopping in the roundabout causes dangerous traffic problems on Como Lake Ave and impedes traffic.

SLOW DOWN AND USE CAUTION IN THE DRIVEWAY/DROP OFF AREA IN FRONT OF THE SCHOOL

Students are reminded to slow down and use the designated crosswalk area when crossing through the school driveway area. Be very vigilant as drivers are often distracted as they are moving in and out of waiting spots. Also, our student drivers are reminded that the expectation is "dead slow" in our school driveways and parking lots.

****ATTENTION ALL STUDENTS***NO LOITERING IN BUS SHELTER****

Students are reminded that the bus shelters are for people who are actually waiting to get on a bus. Please do not use them as a social gathering place.

LITTER IN THE HALLWAYS

Students are reminded to clean up after themselves. It is a continual challenge to keep our school clean for all of us given that lunch hours take place all day long. Please pick up after yourself and your friends. Remember, we have garbage, bottle recycle, paper recycle and organics bins in regular locations throughout the building. Let's all PITCH IN together!

*****VAPORIZERS – AN ADDITION TO THE CODE OF CONDUCT*****

VAPING IS NOT PERMITTED IN THE SCHOOL OR ON SCHOOL GROUNDS

We have noted an increase in the use of these devices by our student population at Charles Best. While there are documented health concerns associated with vaping, these devices have also become a safety issue. We are using this opportunity to inform students and parents **that vaporizers and/or e-cigarettes cannot be possessed at school under any circumstances**. There have been recent incidents in our school/district that have resulted in these devices unintentionally exploding which can result in serious injury for the user and those around them. For the safety of all of our students and staff, it is important that these devices are not on school property. Students are not permitted to have these devices in their lockers, backpacks, or on their person at any time while on school property. If a student is found in possession of a vaporizer or e-cigarette, it will be confiscated. Parents will be contacted and required to meet with the administration and their son/daughter. Reoccurring incidents will result in disciplinary action.